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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Entry of this Preliminary Amendment prior to the calculation of the filing fee is respectively requested.

In the claims:

3. (Amended) Tube motor (1) according to Claim 1[or 2], characterized in that the annular element (34) can be locked into the gear box (33).
4. (Amended) Tube motor (1) according to [one of the preceding claims] Claim 1, characterized in that the annular element [(34). As] has locking hooks or locking indentations on its periphery, which can be engaged together with locking indentations or locking hooks located on the inner side of the gear box.
5. (Amended) Tube motor (1) according to [one of the preceding claims] Claim 1, characterized in that the reducing gear has a planetary gear drive (29), while the planetary gear drive (29) has a sun wheel (28) as its gear input shaft.
6. (Amended) Tube motor (1) according to [Claims 2 and] Claim 5, characterized in that the planetary gear drive (29) has planets (58), which roll off on the inner toothing (59) on the inner side of the gear box.